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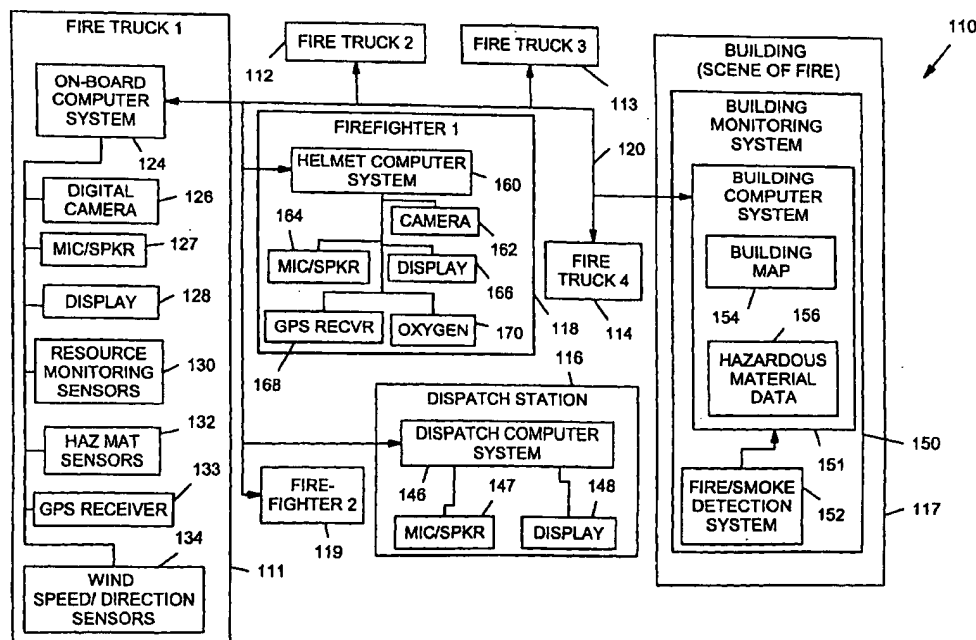
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(57) Abstract: A method comprises acquiring information pertaining to a scene of a fire. The acquiring step is performed by a sensor connected to a first computer. The method further comprises transmitting the information from the first computer to a second computer by way of a wireless communication network. The second computer is mounted to a fire fighting vehicle and is connected to a display. The method further comprises displaying the information at the fire fighting vehicle using the display.



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Network-assisted scene management involving communication between vehicles and/or building.

2. claims: 22,24,25

Resource management for fire-fighting vehicles

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Acquiring information pertaining to the wind in order to map an area possibly affected by movement of hazardous material by the wind.

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